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DURING CONVERSATION WITH CHANCELLOR ON MARCH 24, I RAISED WITH HIM QUESTION EMERGENCY POWERS AND ALERT MEASURES. CHANCELLOR SAID HE FULLY AWARE IMPORTANCE THIS ISSUE AND WILL SEE THAT SUCH LAWS AS DO NOT REQUIRE TWO_THIRDS MAJORITY BE ENACTED. HE CONSIDERS LEGISLATION REQUIRING CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS UNOBTAINABLE BUT THINKS THERE MAY BE METHOD WHEREBY SACEUR CAN BE GIVEN NECESSARY EMERGENCY AUTHORITY. TO QUESTION OF COORDIN_ATION AMONG VARIOUS INDIVIDUALS AND OFFICES CONCERNED WITH PROBLEM, CHANCELLOR REPLIED DEFENSE COUNCIL UNDER HIS CHAIR_MANSHIP LOGICAL PLACE SUCH COORDINATION AND GLOBKE APPROPRIATE CONTACT FUTURE APPROACHES THREE AMBASSADORS.

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